



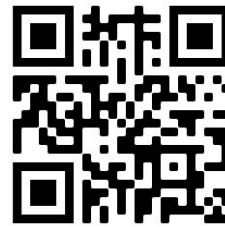
DIY Confetti Poppers for Independence Day

Get ready to celebrate Independence Day with DIY Confetti Poppers! Using just a few items from around the house, you can create an easy and exciting craft for all to enjoy. DIY Confetti Poppers offer a fun and safe alternative to sparklers or other hand-held fireworks for the 4th of July holiday. Children of all ages will enjoy decorating and making their own Confetti Popper. When they are finished, fill with confetti, colored rice, tissue paper, or pompoms, and admire the launch!

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Required Materials:

- Paper Towel Tubes
- Scissors
- Balloons
- Tape
- Colored or Patterned Paper
- Markers or Stickers
- Confetti or Colored Rice (Item #41623)



1. Prep the Balloon

Make a knot at the end of the balloon, and then cut off the top tip. Take the balloon and stretch it tightly around the paper towel tube. Use a strip of tape to keep it in place.

2. Decorate the Tube

Have children use different types of patterned paper, markers, and stickers to decorate their paper towel tube.

3. Add the Confetti

Help children add the confetti or colored rice to their paper towel tube. You may want to use a funnel or a rolled up piece of paper when adding the confetti.

4. Initiate Launch!

Release the confetti from the tube by pulling the knot on the balloon down and letting it go. The confetti should shoot up in the air with a loud pop.

While fireworks and sparklers often intrigue children, they can be highly dangerous. If the children in your care are asking to play with fireworks this Independence Day, offer them the equally fun and safe alternative of the DIY Confetti Popper. This activity will provide an opportunity to discuss firework safety and the significance of Independence Day.

